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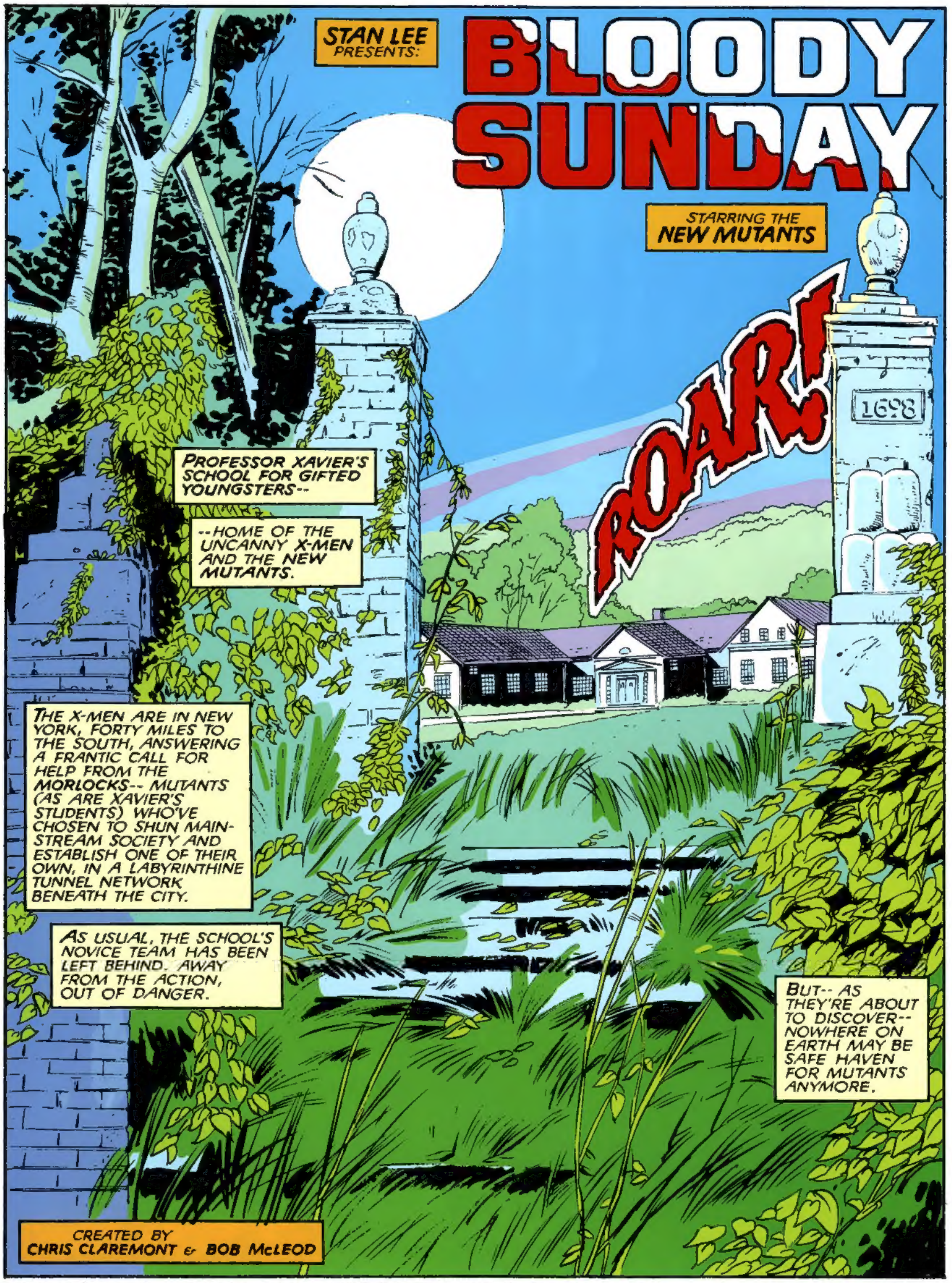
THE NEW MUTANTS

CLEAR OUT, KIDS--

--THIS IS A JOB FOR THE X-MEN!


STAN LEE PRESENTS:
BLOODY SUNDAY
STARRING THE NEW MUTANTS
ROAR!
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PROFESSOR XAVIER'S SCHOOL FOR GIFTED YOUNGSTERS--
--HOME OF THE UNCANNY X-MEN AND THE NEW MUTANTS.
THE X-MEN ARE IN NEW YORK, FORTY MILES TO THE SOUTH, ANSWERING A FRANTIC CALL FOR HELP FROM THE MORLOCKS-- MUTANTS (AS ARE XAVIER'S STUDENTS) WHO'VE CHOSEN TO SHUN MAINSTREAM SOCIETY AND ESTABLISH ONE OF THEIR OWN, IN A LABYRINTHINE TUNNEL NETWORK BENEATH THE CITY.
AS USUAL, THE SCHOOL'S NOVICE TEAM HAS BEEN LEFT BEHIND. AWAY FROM THE ACTION, OUT OF DANGER.
BUT-- AS THEY'RE ABOUT TO DISCOVER-- NOWHERE ON EARTH MAY BE SAFE HAVEN FOR MUTANTS ANYMORE.
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MADONNA-- WHAT WAS THAT?!

IT CAME FROM THE X-MEN'S WING!

ONLY ONE CRITTER MAKES THAT KIND'A NOISE--

--KITTY PRYDE'S PET DRAGON, LOCKHEED!

SOUNDS PRETTY UPSET, TOO.

C'MON, TEAM-- WE'D BETTER CHECK THINGS OUT.

LED BY CO-LEADERS CANNONBALL AND MIRAGE, THE TEENAGERS RACE ACROSS THE MANSION'S CENTRAL WING, TO DISCOVER...

MAGIK! CYPHER!! WARLOCK!!!

WHAT HAPPENED HERE?!

SEE FOR YOURSELF, CANNONBALL.

VERY PERCEPTIVE.

LOCK-HEED DO THIS?

HE'S HEAD-ING FOR OUR UNDER-GROUND TRAINING COMPLEX.

WE BETTER GET AFTER HIM, THEN.

REST OF YOU FOLLOW, QUICK AS Y'ALL CAN.

SELF WILL RECONFIGURE APPROPRIATELY AND ACCOMPANY SELFRIENDBOSS WITH SELFSOULFRIENDCYPHER!

AND, AS SAMUEL GUTHRIE IGNITES HIS OWN MUTANT POWER, ROCKET-ING DOWN THE 30-METER-DEEP ELEVATOR SHAFT...

...WARLOCK WRAPS HIMSELF AROUND HIS BEST FRIEND, DOUGLAS RAMSEY, AND JOINS THE PURSUIT.

MEANWHILE...

I'LL CHECK ON BRIGHTWIND, IN THE STABLE...

... AND THEN USE THE HANGAR ENTRANCE TO THE COMPLEX.

MAYBE I CAN HEAD LOCK-HEED OFF.

AS MIRAGE, DANIELLE MOONSTAR POSSESSES THE PSYCHIC ABILITY TO MANIFEST REAL-AS-LIFE REPRESENTA-TIONS OF OTHERS' THOUGHTS AND EMOTIONS.

RECENTLY, HOWEVER, THE YOUNG CHEYENNE ALSO GAINED A POWER OF THE FABLED ASGARDIAN VALKYRIE...

WHAT--?!!

...TO SEE THE SHAPE OF DEATH OVER THOSE WHO ARE SOON ABOUT TO DIE.

NO!

GREAT SPIRIT HAVE MERCY-- NO!

THREE THOUSAND MILES EASTWARD AND TO THE NORTH-- OFF THE COAST OF SCOTLAND-- LIES MUIR ISLE...

... HOME OF MOIRA MacTAGGART'S MUTANT RESEARCH CENTER (A SECRET ADJUNCT TO XAVIER'S SCHOOL.)

THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT IN NEW YORK IS BARELY DAWN HERE.

MOIRA'S BEEN UP THE BETTER PART OF AN HOUR, FORCING HERSELF THROUGH HER DAILY REGIMEN OF EXERCISES.

IT KEEPS HER FIT...

...BUT SOME MORNINGS, THE GAIN HARDLY SEEMS WORTH THE PAIN.

STITCH IN MY SIDE.

PUSHED TOO HARD, THAT LAST SET OF REPS ON THE NAUTILUS--

--PULLED A MUSCLE-- eh?!!

A FLASH OF LIGHT--!

SEAN-- THAT YOU, LUV?

BANSHEE'S STILL ASLEEP, Dr. MacTAGGART.

BUT I LEFT HIM A NOTE...

ILLYANA RASPUTIN-- WHAT THE DEVIL--?!

...TO TELL HIM WHERE YOU'VE GONE.

AND, WITH A BLINDING FLASH, MAGIK TELEPORTS THE PAIR OF THEM FROM EARTH...

...TO LIMBO--

--THE ARCANE REALM WHERE HER DEMON SORCERY RULES SUPREME.

THE TELEPORTATION POWER IS HERS NATURALLY--ENABLING HER TO TRAVEL EFFORTLESSLY (THOUGH SOMETIMES UNCONTROLLABLY) THROUGH TIME AND SPACE-- IT'S WHAT MAKES HER A MUTANT.

THE MAGIC SHE LEARNED AS UNWILLING APPRENTICE TO LIMBO'S FORMER RULER, BEFORE SHE OVERTHREW HIM AND TOOK HIS PLACE.

EXPLAIN YOURSELF, GIRL!

WHY HAVE YOU BROUGHT ME TO THIS... *AWFUL* PLACE?!

BLAST AND SPIT, WE'RE *STUCK!* I MUST HAVE SHIFTED BACK IN TIME AS WELL AS SPACE, I CAN'T RETURN TO THE MANSION UNTIL I'VE LEFT IT!

?!

MY SCRYING POOL WILL SHOW US...

...WHAT'S HAPPENING "RIGHT NOW" AT THE MANSION. SEEING FOR YOURSELF IS BETTER THAN MY TELLING YOU.

DO I FRIGHTEN YOU, DOCTOR? I DON'T MEAN TO.

BUT I CAN'T HELP IT.

I AM WHAT BELASCO-- CURSE HIM-- MADE ME.

AND THAT ISN'T VERY NICE.

I'M SORRY I SNATCHED YOU OUT OF YOUR SHOWER.

I'LL CONJURE SOME CLOTHES.

I KNOW THEY'RE NOT YOUR STYLE, BUT IT'S THE BEST I CAN DO.

I WIELD *BLACK* MAGIC--WHICH TAINTS AND TWISTS EVEN THE MOST "INNOCENT" OF SPELLS.

I... UNDERSTAND.

IS THERE TROUBLE, LASS...

...AT THE SCHOOL?

AND THEN SOME.

THESE IMAGES ARE NEW FOR YOU, A RERUN FOR ME. I KNOW WHAT'S COMING. IT ISN'T PRETTY.

THAT'S LOCKHEED...

...MY ROOMMATE'S DRAGON.

"HE AND THE GUYS ARE IN THE HANGAR.

BWHAM

HOLY--?!

ALARM!

"GOOD HEAVENS!

"ILLYANA--THE *X-MEN*--THEY LOOK AS THOUGH THEY'VE FOUGHT A *WAR!*"

WE *MADE* IT!

WE'RE *HOME*--*ALIVE*--

--*SAFE!*

GLORY--!?!
ALARM ALARM ALARM!
SELFSENSORS IDENT SELFRIENDS *X-MEN* PLUS OTHER MUTANT ENTITIES, NOMENCLATURE *MORLOCKS!*
MEDISCANS REGISTER MULTIPLE INJURIES-- LIFEGLOWS BRIGHT-DIM- *FADING!* TERMINATION OF MANY ENTITIES *IMMINENT!*
SUNDER!
COLOSSUS, HELP ME WITH HIM!
HOW, ROGUE?! WE NEED A HOSPITAL--AND A *PHYSICIAN*-- FOR SUCH WOUNDS!
ARRRGH!

YOUR WISH, BIG BROTHER, IS MY COMMAND.
I SAW THIS ON THE MANSION SECURITY MONITORS, Dr. MacTAGGART.
THAT'S WHEN I LEFT TO GET YOU. AND NOW THAT I'VE "GONE"...
...IT'S SAFE FOR ME TO RETURN, WITHOUT RUPTURING THE TIME-STREAM.
AS THEY ARRIVE-- STARTLING EVERY-ONE PRESENT-- SO, TOO, DO OTHERS FROM THE MAIN HOUSE...

...INCLUDING THE SCHOOL'S HEAD-MASTER...
MAGNETO!
WE'LL HAVE TO TREAT THIS AS A COMBAT SITUATION. WE'LL ESTABLISH OUR AID STATION HERE IN THE HANGAR!

TO HIS CREDIT, MAGNETO DEFERS TO MOIRA'S EXPERTISE, AND HER ORDERS ARE INSTANTLY OBEYED.
KITTY--!??!
YOU LOOK LIKE A REAL GHOST, ROOMIE. CAN'T YOU *UNPHASE* AND SOLIDIFY YOURSELF?!
SHADOWCAT'S ANSWER TO HER BEST FRIEND...
... IS A SAD, ELOQUENT SHAKE OF THE HEAD.

STORM, LEADER OF THE SENIOR TEAM, RELATES WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM...

A MASSACRE.

A BAND OF SUPER-POWERED ASSASSINS -- CALLING THEMSELVES *MARAUDERS* -- INVADED THE MORLOCK TUNNELS, KILLING EVERYONE THEY MET. IT WAS NOTHING LESS THAN A PLANNED, DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO WIPE OUT CALLISTO'S PEOPLE.

AND FOR THE MOST PART, IT HAS SUCCEEDED. AMONG THE X-MEN, SHADOWCAT AND NIGHTCRAWLER ARE THE MOST CRITICAL CASUALTIES.

WE HAVE NO IDEA WHO THESE MARAUDERS WORK FOR, OR THE PURPOSE OF THIS ATTACK.

I LEFT *WOLVERINE* BEHIND TO BRING US A PRISONER, SO WE CAN LEARN.

I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH CARNAGE. STORM, THE SCHOOL ISN'T EQUIPPED TO HANDLE--!

WE HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE, MOIRA. WE CANNOT PROTECT THE WOUNDED ANYWHERE ELSE.

YOU MEAN, THIS ISN'T OVER.

IT HAS BARELY BEGUN.

NEW MUTANTS, YOU ARE IN Dr. MacTAGGART'S CHARGE. DO WHATEVER SHE REQUIRES.

X-MEN, ONCE WE HAVE FINISHED EVACUATING SURVIVORS...

...ESTABLISH A SECURITY PARAMETER AROUND THE ESTATE. IF THE MARAUDERS COME VISITING...

... I WISH THEM TO HAVE A PROPER WELCOME.

YOU FIGURE ANY OTHER OF MY PEOPLE MADE IT OUT ALIVE, STORM?

IT IS ALWAYS GOOD TO HOPE, CALLISTO.

HOURS SLIP BY-- NIGHT TO MORNING TO DUSK.

NO ONE NOTICES, THERE'S TOO MUCH TO DO.

THE HUGE HANGAR FILLS WITH THE ACRID SCENT OF DISINFECTANT, THE MOANS OF THOSE IN PAIN, THE TOO-FREQUENT STILLNESS OF THOSE FOREVER BEYOND SUCH MISERY.

THERE IS BLOOD EVERYWHERE.

CUBICLES ARE NEEDED, SO **SUNSPOT** USES HIS SOLAR-POWERED STRENGTH TO IMPROVISE THEM.

MADONNA FORGIVE ME...

...BUT I WISH THIS WAS A MARAUDER'S NECK!

HE DOES NOT REALIZE IT, BUT THE YOUNG BRAZILIAN HAS BEEN CRYING SINCE THIS HORROR BEGAN.

HE ISN'T ALONE.

AH GOT THE SUPPLIES YOU ASKED FOR, Dr. MacTAGGART!

BUT IT AIN'T ENOUGH. WE'RE LOSIN' MORE'N WE SAVE.

LIKE WHEN AH WAS A KID, BACK HOME IN KENTUCKY, AN' A MINE SHAFT COLLAPSED. WHOLE TOWN PITCHED IN. BUT FOR ALL OUR EFFORTS-- ALL OUR PRAYERS--

--NONE OF THE TRAPPED MEN CAME HOME ALIVE.

NEVER SAW MY DADDY SO SAD. NEVER FELT SO HELPLESS MYSELF--

--'CEPT, YEARS LATER, WATCHIN' HIM PASS AWAY.

WILL NOT MY FLAMES BURN YOU, ROGUE?

NOPE.

AH'M PRETTY MUCH INVULNERABLE, MAGMA.

OKAY, WARLOCK, LET'S GET THIS MEDICINE WHERE IT'S NEEDED.

WARNING! SELF MONITORS DISCONTINUITY IN SELFRIENDTEAMMATE *SUNSPOT'S* BIOMATRIX--!

MY STRENGTH --IT'S *FADING!*

IT DERIVES FROM *SUN-LIGHT,* AND IT'S BEEN SO LONG SINCE I RECHARGED MYSELF...

...I'M *LOSING* MY POWER, WHEN I NEED IT *MOST!*

CAREFUL, SUNSPOT! THIS LIFE-SUPPORT MODULE IS VERY FRAGILE!

DaCOSTA!

HAD THAT MODULE BEEN DAMAGED, YOUR CARELESSNESS WOULD HAVE COST *LIVES!*

I KNOW, SIR. I'M SOR...

IF YOU CAN'T BE OF USE, BOY...

...STAY OUT OF THE WAY OF THOSE WHO *CAN!*

AREN'T YOU BEIN' A LITTLE HARD, SIR?

LOOK AROUND YOU, CANNONBALL! UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES...

...I HAVE NEITHER TIME NOR PATIENCE TO SALVE A CHILD'S WOUNDED PRIDE.

NO! I WON'T LET YOU!

TOUCH ME--COME NEAR ME-- AN I'LL BUST YOU UP BAD!

SUNDER-- *STOP!*

YOU AIN'T GONNA *CUT OFF* MY *LEG!*

HE'S BERSERK! I'LL USE MY MAGNETIC POWERS...

...CREATE *RESTRAINTS* FROM THE METAL FLOOR.

UNFORTUNATELY, THEY DON'T HOLD.

AND DESPERATE, PLEADING WORDS HAVE EVEN LESS EFFECT.

IF I DON'T AMPUTATE-- NOW-- HE'LL BLEED TO DEATH!

SUNDER'S TOO UPSET-- AND HIS SYSTEM'S FAR TOO WEAK-- FOR ME TO RISK CALMING HIM WITH DRUGS.

KARMA-- *POSSESS HIM!*

THE YOUNG VIETNAMESE USES HER SPECIAL PSI-TALENT TO TAKE CONTROL OF SUNDER'S MIND-- BUT THE MORLOCK'S PAIN IS TOO RAW, SMASHING PAST HER PSI-SHIELDS THE MOMENT HER THOUGHTS INTERFACE WITH HIS.

IT'S MORE THAN SHE CAN BEAR!

CUT LOOSE, KARMA-- WITHDRAW-- LET HIM GO!

I'LL HANDLE THIS.

*AND **BETSY BRADDOCK**-- WHO, AS **PSYLOCKE**, IS THE NEWEST ARRIVAL AT XAVIER'S-- USES PART OF HER FORMIDABLE TELEPATHIC ABILITY TO SOOTHE KARMA, WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY BLANKING SUNDER'S MIND, ABSORBING THE TOTALITY OF HIS PAIN.*

I AM SORRY, SO SORRY, FORGIVE ME..

NOTHING NEEDS FORGIVING, CHILD. YOU DID YOUR BEST. THAT'S ALL ANYONE CAN ASK.

I CAN HOLD YOUR PATIENT AS LONG AS NECESSARY, Dr. MacTAGGART.

BUT THE STRAIN--?!

I'VE ENDURED WORSE, HEAD-MASTER.

QUERY: STATUS OF SELFRIEND *XI'AN COY MANH?*

SHE'LL BE FINE, WARLOCK.

THIS IS SO MUCH LIKE MY HOMELAND, VIETNAM.

Oh, DOUGLAS, I THOUGHT I WOULD NEVER SEE-- NEVER BE PART OF-- SUCH HORROR AGAIN!

SO MANY SCREAMS... SO MANY IN NEED--

--SO MANY DYING.

EVERY-WHERE I TURN.

AS A ***VALKYRIE***, I'VE GOT THE POWER TO FIGHT DEATH, DRIVE HIM AWAY-- IF I'VE THE STRENGTH. THE COURAGE.

I WANT TO SAVE ALL THESE POOR PEOPLE.

BUT DEATH'S TOO STRONG.

I'M ONLY A GIRL, WHAT CAN I DO?!

I WAS A FOOL TO THINK MY-SELF A MATCH FOR THE REAPER.

DANI--?!

YOU OKAY, CHIEF?!

Oh, SAM--

--THERE'S NO HOPE!

FOR THE MORLOCKS--

--OR THE NEW MUTANTS!

MEANWHILE, IN THE KITCHEN...

LOUSY, ROTTEN, STINKING *SWINE!*

WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS, ANYWAY?!

I CAN'T MAKE A MISTAKE-- oh, NO-- BUT WHAT ABOUT HIM?! SUPPOSED TO BE OUR TEACHER-- TO SET US AN EXAMPLE-- YET ALL HE EVER *DOES* IS MAKE MISTAKES!

HE PUNISHES US, WHO PUNISHES HIM?!

WHAT'S THIS?!

RAHNE PLAYING "HAPPY HOMEMAKER?"

LEAVE THAT BE!

THAT FOOD'S NA' FOR US, 'BERTO, BUT FOR THOSE DOWNSTAIRS WHO TRULY NEED IT.

SLAP!

SILLY, *STUPID GIRL--*

- THIS IS THE *FINAL STRAW!*

KRASH!

YOU UNCARING *SPALEEN*-- I'M *SICK* OF YOU ALWAYS THINKING OF YUIRSELF! 'TIS PAST TIME SOMEONE TAUGHT YOU A *LESSON!*

SAM! IT'S RAHNE-- OUR SPECIAL MINDLINK JUST ACTIVATED--THAT MEANS SHE JUST TRANSFORMED INTO HER *WEREWOLF*-SELF--

--SAM, SHE AND BOBBY ARE *FIGHTING!*

WOLFSBANE! SUNSPOT!!

BREAK IT UP!!

'BERTO STARTED IT!

IT'S *HER* FAULT!

SHUT *UP*--

--THE *PAIR* OF YOU!

HOW *DARE* YOU BEHAVE LIKE THIS-- NO WONDER WE'RE CALLED *"X-BABIES!"*

PEOPLE ARE HURT AND *DYING* DOWN-STAIRS, AND ALL YOU CAN DO IS PICK SOME STUPID SCRAP, THANKS A WHOLE HECKUVA LOT, SOME HELP YOU ARE.

DANI, I...

I'M SORRY

EASY TO SAY, RAHNE.

I *WANTED* TO HELP, DANI, MORE THAN ANYTHING--

--BUT MAGNETO WOULDN'T LET ME!

THE NEW MUTANTS HAVE PROVEN OUR WORTH, TIME AND AGAIN--ONLY EVERYONE KEEPS TREATING US LIKE KIDS!

MAYBE, BOBBY, BECAUSE SOME OF US INSIST ON ACTING THE PART.

DOIN' SOMETHIN' BIG OR SMALL, IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, AIN'T IMPORTANT, BOBBY, IT'S THE *HELPING* THAT MATTERS.

C'MON, HOW 'BOUT WE PUT THIS MESS TO RIGHT, AN' THEN MAKE A NEW BATCH OF SAND-WICHES. FOLKS DOWNSTAIRS COULD PROBABLY USE 'EM.

ON THE BACK PORCH...

TAKING A BREAK, BUDDY?

PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS??

CYPHER TO WARLOCK-- ANYBODY HOME???

AFFIRMATIVE.

WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT?

NOTHING.

LIKE HECK. I'VE NEVER SEEN 'LOCK MANIFEST SO MANY SENSORS. HE'S SCANNING FOR SOMETHING--BUT *WHAT?!*

AND WHY WON'T HE TALK ABOUT IT?!?

THE HEADMASTER'S STUDY...

NOM DU NOM!

LEONG AND NGA-- WHY DON'T YOU ANSWER--

--WHY AREN'T YOU THERE?!!

SPIT AND HADES!

MAGIK--?!

YEAH, SHAN...

...ONLY ME.

WHAT IS WRONG?

Oh, I HAD THIS BRILLIANT IDEA OF TELEPORTING KITTY TO LIMBO, WHERE MY SORCERY COULD MAYBE HEAL HER.

DIDN'T WORK, THOUGH. SHE'S SO FAR OUT OF PHASE WITH REALITY ALREADY, MY POWER CAN'T LATCH HOLD OF HER. AND MY LOUSY SORCERY WON'T WORK ON EARTH!

KITTY PRYDE'S MY BEST FRIEND, SHAN-- AND I MAY HAVE TO STAND BY AND WATCH HER DIE!

I KNOW A LITTLE OF HOW YOU FEEL. I AM SICK WITH WORRY ABOUT MY BROTHER AND SISTER.

THEY LEFT SCHOOL HOURS AGO.

THEY SHOULD BE HOME-- BUT NO ONE ANSWERS WHEN I TELEPHONE.

THINK THEY'RE IN TROUBLE?

I WOULD FEEL SAFER WITH THEM HERE.

THEN, LET'S GO GET THEM.

HEY-- WHERE YOU GALS GOIN'?!

SHAN'S APARTMENT, TO COLLECT HER FAMILY!

BACK IN A JIFF!

FINALLY-- THIS KITCHEN LOOKS HALFWAY DECENT.

LET'S PULL TOGETHER THOSE EATS.

DANI! SAM!!

URGENT ALARM! EXTREME CONCERN APPREHENDED!

SOMETHING'S THE MATTER!

FIGURES DOUG WOULD BE THE ONE TO SQUEAL ABOUT IT.

THIS IS IMPORTANT, BOBBY!

HE QUICKLY RELATES WHAT HE SAW AND HEARD...

THOSE IDIOTS!

THEY'RE CAREFUL, DANI-- THEY'LL BE OKAY.

Oh, YEAH, SAM?! SUPPOSE THE DEATH IMAGES I SAW WERE MEANT FOR THEM?!

MANHATTAN.

THE LOWER EAST SIDE, WHERE LIVING ISN'T PRETTY...

...BUT IT CAN STILL BE CHEAP.

THERE ARE BEDROOMS AT THE MANSION BIGGER THAN THIS PLACE.

IT IS SMALL...

...BUT IT'S HOME.

A FAMILY SHOULD HAVE ITS OWN HOME, NOT BE PERMANENT GUESTS IN SOMEONE ELSE'S.

NOW, HOWEVER...

...WE HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE.

IT IS VERY DARK, I'LL TURN ON THE LIGHTS.

KLIK...

...WHIRRR

BWHAM!!

MEANWHILE, AT THE MANSION...

TRIED CALLIN' SHAN'S PLACE, DANI. OPERATOR SAID THE LINE'S OUT OF ORDER.

STILL FEELING COMPLACENT, SAM?

IF THINGS WERE FINE, ILLYANA'D BE BACK BY NOW.

ASSUMING THE WORST, DANIELLE, HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND?

SIMPLE, AMARA. GO AFTER 'EM.

WE'VE WASTED TOO MUCH TIME WITH THIS STUPID MEETING, AS IT IS.

SHOULDN'T WE TELL THE X-MEN?

THEY TOLD US TO STAY PUT, WE'LL BE DISOBEYING ORDERS.

NOT MERELY A TATTLETALE...

...DOUGLAS IS A *TOADY*, TO BOOT.

NO HONOR, LESS GUTS.

TAKE THAT BACK, DaCOSTA-- OR I'LL RAM THOSE LYING WORDS DOWN YOUR SCUMMY THROAT!

BE REAL, *HOMBRE*-- YOU AND WHAT ARMY?

Y'ALL *BOTH* BEHAVE--OR YOU'LL ANSWER TO *ME*.

THE X-MEN ARE TOO BUSY, TOO SHORT-HANDED, IT ISN'T FAIR TO DUMP THIS MESS ON THEIR SHOULDERS.

DOUG'S TALKIN' SENSE, DANI.

"THEN, SAM, WE'LL TAKE A VOTE. MAJORITY RULES."

RUNNING SOUTH FROM XAVIER'S ESTATE, DEEP UNDERGROUND...

...IS A TUNNEL THAT CONNECTS THE X-MEN'S COMPLEX WITH THE MORLOCKS' DOMAIN, A MILE BENEATH MANHATTAN.

LET THE ROCK COOL, MY FRIENDS, BEFORE FOLLOWING ME THROUGH.

COAST LOOKS CLEAR.

I BURROWED US FAR BEYOND THE X-MEN'S SENTRY POST. THEY SHOULD NOT SEE OR HEAR US.

I STILL THINK THIS IS A MISTAKE, DANI.

WE VOTED, SAM. A TEAM DECISION. BUT IF WE GET IN TROUBLE WITH MAGNETO--

--I'M TEAM LEADER. I'LL TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY.

AIN'T WORRIED MUCH ABOUT MAGNETO

WARLOCK, WHY'RE YOU MAKIN' US A ***CAR?*** WHY TRAVEL THROUGH THESE TUNNELS AT ALL, WHERE WE MIGHT RUN INTO THOSE MARAUDERS?!

BE A WHOLE LOT SAFER-- AND FASTER-- TO FLY. ABOVE GROUND.

TRANSPORT APPROPRIATE, ALTERNATIVE UNAVAILABLE. SELFRIENDS MUST UTILIZE MODE OFFERED.

WHERE'D ***HE*** GET SO STUBBORN, ALL OF A SUDDEN?!

THAT'S NOT LIKE HIM.

DOUG-- WARLOCK OKAY?

BEATS ME. HE'S BEEN ACTING WEIRD ALL DAY.

OBSERVATION: SELF ***IS*** MORE THAN A LITTLE "WEIRD," BY ORGANIC-HUMAN STANDARDS. SELF IS SIMPLY ACTING THE PART.

SELF HAS BEEN SCANNING WILD DATA.

UNCHARACTERISTIC BEHAVIOR RESULTS FROM ATTEMPTS TO RATIONALIZE ANOMALIES.

BULL!

YOU'RE HIDING SOMETHING-- SERIOUS-- I ***KNOW*** IT!

YOU ASK ME, A BUNCH OF ASSASSINS RUNNING RIOT IN THE "ALLEY," KILLING EVERYONE THEY MEET IS ENOUGH TO MAKE THE SANEST HEAD ACT A LITTLE "STRANGE."

BUT-- HOW BAD COULD IT REALLY BE DOWN THERE? I MEAN, IT'S ONLY NATURAL TO MAKE THINGS SOUND WORSE THAN THEY ACTUALLY ARE.

LET'S ROLL, TEAM -- AN' FIND OUT.

WARLOCK, OPEN YOUR SENSORS WIDE.

"WE DON'T WANT ANY NASTY SURPRISES."

SEEK AS HARD AS YOU LIKE, MY WAYWARD SON...

...YOU'LL NOT FIND THE ***MAGUS...***

...UNTIL THE MOMENT BEFORE HE ***DESTROYS*** YOU!

A LITTLE LATER...

IMMEDIATE LOCALITY UNINHABITED. NEITHER BIOLOGICAL NOR ELECTRONIC PRESENCES DETECTED.

YET... ANOMALY PERSISTS-- A "GHOST" IMAGE DANCING ALONG THE PERIPHERY OF SELF'S FIELD. INTERNAL DIAGNOSTICS SCAN REVEALS NEGATIVE DYSFUNCTION, SELF-SYSTEMS NOMINAL.

POP!

SELF'S APPREHENSION INTENSIFYING.

THE SKY! FRESH, CLEAN AIR!!

I.. I THOUGHT I'D NEVER SEE IT-- BREATHE IT-- AGAIN!

SLAMM!

IN THE COMMENTARIES OF THE DIVINE JULIUS, CAESAR WRITES OF THE CARNAGE OF WAR...

...BUT THE MOST ELOQUENT WORDS...

...PALE...

I DON'T BELIEVE IT! I *CAN'T!*

THOSE MARAUDERS-- CURSE THEIR SOULS-- *KILLED*--

--AND *KILLED*...

...AND *KILLED!*

I WISH I'D NEVER COME.

THE END IS COMING! REPENT NOW!

I'M GLAD I DID.

I WANT TO FIND THEM, SAM--

-- BLESSED MADONNA, *I WANT THEIR HEARTS!*

I WANT TO CRY, DOUGLAS, I ACHE SO INSIDE...

...YET I HAVE NO TEARS.

YOU WILL, RAHNE.

FOR YOU AND ME BOTH.

WE SHOULD'A STAYED HOME. SOME THINGS SHOULDN'T BE SEEN.

BUT WE ARE HERE, SAMUEL, AND HAVE SEEN, AND SHALL COPE.

THE NEW MUTANTS ARE MADE OF STERNER STUFF THAN YOU SUSPECT.

CANNONBALL-- ARE THOSE NOT *SIRENS*...

"...THE *FIRE BRIGADE?!*"

THAT'S *SHAN'S* BUILDING!

THE SMOKE-- THOSE FLAMES-- THEY'RE COMIN' FROM SHAN'S *APARTMENT!*

IF WE'RE TOO LATE, WARLOCK, IT'S *YOUR* FAULT, FOR NOT FLYING US HERE!

DANI--?!

DON'T YOU MAKE EXCUSES FOR HIM, DOUG...

...NOT THIS TIME--

--I'M NOT IN THE MOOD!

WE'VE GOT TO GET UP THERE, PRONTO!

WON'T FIND ANYTHING, CHIEF.

LEAST OF ALL *US.*

ILLYANA!

SHAN!!

EITHER OF YOU HURT?!

BEEN BETTER, SAM.

MARAUDERS--MUST'VE BEEN THEM--SET A BOMB, RIGGED TO THE LIGHT SWITCH I JAUNTED US THE INSTANT IT BLEW, NEVER THOUGHT I COULD REACT SO QUICKLY--

--BUT WE STILL GOT CLIPPED A BIT BY THE BLAST, SHAN WORSE'N ME.

WHAT ABOUT HER BROTHER AN' SISTER-- LEONG AND NGA?!

GONE.

WOLFSBANE--SHIFT TO WOLF FORM, TRY TO FIND THE KIDS' SCENTS. UNTIL WE FIND PROOF OTHERWISE, WE'LL ASSUME THEY'RE ALIVE.

WARLOCK, START THE WIDEST POSSIBLE SENSOR SWEEP--?!?

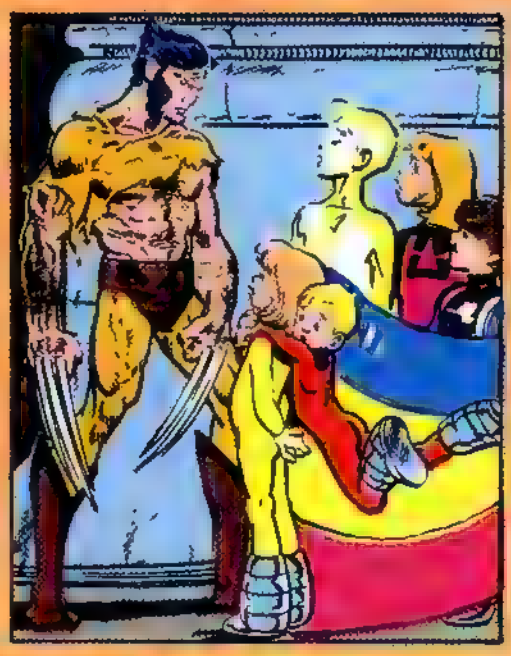
BULLPEN BULLETINS

The Best-Kept Secret in Comics . . .

. . . is one of the best comics—a title that comics professionals rate at the top of the list every issue. Go ahead, ask *Chris Claremont, Ann Nocenti, or John Romita* about **Power Pack**. They'll say it's the cat's PJ's.

Maybe that's why so many of the creative types around here love to do *cross-overs* with the **Pack**. Take this month, for instance—**X-Men #211**, a pivotal issue in the current Mutant Massacre Saga, crosses over into **Power Pack #27**. Dynamite.

Both of these books are on sale during August and September, respectively. Because **Power Pack** is sold only in *comics specialty shops*, you'll have to find your way to one. If you don't know of one near you, check the Yellow Pages under "books, new and used." Or, check the *classified ads* in this (or any other) comic book. A lot of dealers advertise and do mail-orders.



The New Universe . . .

. . . began with a big bang, so to speak. If you're wondering what it's all about, think about this: if today you discovered that, suddenly, you were able to bench press a Buick, or melt New Jersey to slag with a wave of your hand, don't you think your life would very quickly become a whole lot more interesting? Think about it. What would *really* happen to *you and your life right there where you live?*

You've got to see the *New Universe.*

That's All For Now.

See you next month.

Strive on!

Jim Shooter
Editor in Chief

CHECKLIST

- ☐ **DAKOTA NORTH #4**
- ☐ **DAREDEVIL #237**
- ☐ **G.I. JOE MISSIONS #2**
- ☐ **NEW MUTANTS #46**—Special Morlock massacre tie-in with *X-Men!*
- ☐ **STRIKEFORCE: MORITURI #1**—They are a select group of super-powered individuals. They each gained their powers at a dreadful cost! They are Morituri—"We who are about to die!" Brought to you by PETER B. GILLIS (writer) and BRENT ANDERSON with SCOTT WILLIAMS (artists).
- ☐ **TRANSFORMERS MOVIE (Limited Series) #1**—That's right! It's the official Marvel adaptation of that animated motion picture blockbuster! Script by RALPH MACCHIO! Art by DON PERLIN and AKIN & GARVEY!
- ☐ **WEB OF SPIDER-MAN #21**
- ☐ **WEST COAST AVENGERS #15**
- ☐ **ALPHA FLIGHT #41**—Introducing the Purple Girl!
- ☐ **AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #283**—With the Avengers!
- ☐ **CAPTAIN AMERICA #324**—Nomad's back!
- ☐ **DOCTOR STRANGE #80**
- ☐ **LABYRINTH (Limited Series) #2**
- ☐ **POWER PACK #27**—A Morlock/Marauder tie-in with *X-Men/X-Factor!*
- ☐ **AMAZING HIGH ADVENTURE #5**—A potpourri of excitement, thanks to KEN STEACY, STEVE PURCELL, MIKE BARON and BILL MANTLO!
- ☐ **AVENGERS #274**
- ☐ **CONAN THE BARBARIAN #189**
- ☐ **G.I. JOE #54**
- ☐ **HOWARD THE DUCK (Limited Series) #1**—Howard's movie exploits are chronicled in this special adaptation by DANNY FINGEROTH (writer) and KYLE BAKER (artist)!
- ☐ **INCREDIBLE HULK #326**—Meet Rick Jones, the all-new, all-grey Incredible Hulk!
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- ☐ **X-MEN #212**—Wolverine battles Sabretooth in this Morlock tie-in with *New Mutants!*
- ☐ **MARVEL SAGA #13**—Featuring the origins of Daredevil, Elektra, the Black Widow, and lots more!
- ☐ **TRANSFORMERS UNIVERSE #1**—The complete low-down on every Transformer you've ever met!
- ☐ **FANTASTIC FOUR #297**—Welcome ROGER STERN (writer), JOHN BUSCEMA (penciler) and SAL BUSCEMA (inker), the new storytelling team!
- ☐ **IRON MAN #213**
- ☐ **PETER PARKER, THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #121**
- ☐ **THOR #374**—It's another Morlock crossover with *X-Factor* and *Power Pack!*
- ☐ **TRANSFORMERS #23**
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- ☐ **CLASSIC X-MEN #4**—Reprinting *X-Men #96*, with new material by CHRIS CLAREMONT, JOHN BOLTON and DAVE COCKRUM!
- ☐ **G.I. JOE UNIVERSE #2**
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- ☐ **ELEKTRA: ASSASSIN (Limited Series) #3**—S.H.I.E.L.D. has got Elektra, but can they keep her?
- ☐ **ALIEN LEGION #16**
- ☐ **ELFQUEST #17**
- ☐ **STEELGRIP STARKEY (Limited Series) #4**—Who is mining the moon?

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- ☐ **HUGGA BUNCH #2**—Danger waits in the magic Ice Palace!
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LIFE END WORLDEND SELFEND IMMINENT!
WARLOCK--?!!
BY THE HOLY ROOD--HE'S GONE DAFT!
FRIENDTHREAT MANDATES TOTAL SURVIVAL MODE, FASTEST FLIGHT RESPONSE TO SANCTUARY!
WHAT THE HECK GIVES--!?!

FLEE
STOP IT
FLEE
WHAT'S THE MATTER
HE'S NUTSO
LET US HELP YOU
FLEE
FLEE
LET US HELP YOU
PUT US DOWN LUMMOX
FLEE
CALM DOWN, WILLYA

AT LAST!
AH THOUGHT HE WAS GONNA RUN FOR-EVER!
PROBABILITY OF SUCCESS, EVASION MODE, MINIMAL.
SHIFTING TO MAXIMAL DEFENSE CONFIGURATION!
WARLOCK, THE TUNNEL'S EMPTY! THERE'S NOTHING HERE...

...TO BE AFRAID...
...OF.
PROBABILITY OF SUCCESS, RESISTANCE MODE--NON-EXISTENT.
TERROR--
TERMINATION--
HOPELOSS--
SELFLOST--
DESPAIR--
WHY GO ON--
CANNOT GO ON
HE'S DIS-CORPORATING!?!

I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM LIKE THIS, NOT SINCE THE NIGHT WE FIRST MET.
.OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS, PAL.
WE'VE GOT TO DO SOME-THING!
THAT NIGHT--REMEMBER, GUYS--WARLOCK GOT SO CRAZY...
...TELLING US ABOUT HIS FATHER!

GREETINGS, COMPANIONS AND DEFENDERS OF MY SON.
OURS IS A MEETING I'VE LONG AWAITED.

I-- AM-- MAGUS!

AMONGST OUR RACE, THE WARLOCK MUST EVER DUEL THE MAGUS-- TO EARN HIS RIGHT TO LIFE BY SLAYING HIS SIRE. THUS, DOES A WARLOCK IN TURN BECOME THE MAGUS, AND RULER OF OUR TECHNARCHY.

THE PRICE OF FAILURE...

...YOU ARE ALL ABOUT TO LEARN!

NO WAY, JOSE!

WE'RE GONE!

THINKING WITH OUR HEARTS INSTEAD OF OUR HEADS GOT US INTO THIS SCRAP.

THAT SAME BLIND COURAGE'LL GET US HOME AGAIN!

THE CHANGELING WITCH TELEPORTED THEM AWAY BEFORE I COULD INFECT THEM WITH THE TRANS-MODE VIRUS.

NO MATTER. WHEREVER THEY RUN-- HOWEVER HARD THEY TRY TO HIDE, OR, BETTER YET, RESIST--

-- THE END WILL REMAIN THE SAME!

NEXT ISSUE: MY HEART FOR THE HIGHLANDS!

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